



# Morénike Giwa Onaiwu, PhD

Advocate, Public Speaker, Writer, Educator, Researcher, and Mom

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## Bio

Morénike Giwa Onaiwu, PhD, MA (she/they) is a global advocate, educator, disabled person of color, non-binary woman, and parent in a neurodiverse, multicultural, twice-exceptional serodifferent biological and adoptive family. A prolific writer and social scientist/activist whose work focuses on intersectional justice, meaningful community involvement, human rights, and inclusion, Morénike is recognized as a leader in various disability justice endeavors, including serving as founder/principal consultant of Advocacy Without Borders, a grassroots intersectional non-profit initiative offering DEIA, education, advocacy, keynotes/lectures, training, research, expert review, and related projects.

Morénike co-chairs the Equity, Justice, and Representation Advisory Committee of the Autistic Women & Nonbinary Network (AWN) and is also a member of several executive boards, a collaborator with various like-minded organizations, and a highly sought after public speaker, trainer, and consultant who has presented at the White House, the United Nations, and numerous peer-reviewed international conferences.

Notable publications of Morénike's include various chapter contributions and peer-reviewed articles as well as co-editing AWN's groundbreaking anthologies *Sincerely, Your Autistic Child: What People on the Autism Spectrum Wish Their Parents Knew About Growing Up, Acceptance, and Identity* and the initial edition of *All the Weight of Our Dreams: On Living Racialized Autism*. Morénike, who has also been featured in the NY Times, NBC's Today Show, the BBC, NPR, and other media outlets, is the author of the forthcoming Open Access monograph *A Neurodiversity and Gentle Parenting Journey...in Color*.